

Check Bipod for Slippage

HEY! THOSE LAST MISSES WEREN'T MY FAULT! MY BIPOD'S STARTING TO SLIP! SOMEBODY HELP ME!

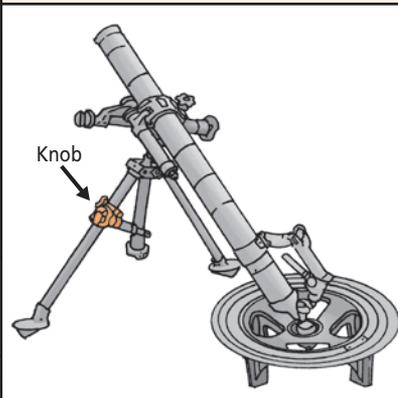
SOME M170A1 BIPODS FOR THE NEW M224A1 MORTAR AREN'T STAYING LOCKED IN POSITION.

A SLIPPING BIPOD DESTROYS ACCURACY AND COULD BE DANGEROUS!



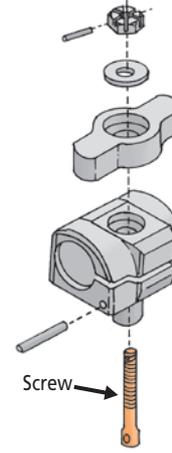
Operators, test immediately any M170A1 bipods, NSN 1010-01-561-9234, in your unit for slippage of the cross-leveling mechanism. With either the M224A1 fully assembled or the bipod standing alone, tighten the clamping block's locking knob. Lift up on the block clamp while checking for movement along the bipod's leg.

Lock block clamp knob and test for slippage



If the bipod won't stay in the clamped position, your mortar is NMC. Send it to support. Support should inspect and possibly repair the clamping block. The problem is usually a stripped machine screw. The problem is usually a stripped machine screw (Item 6 in Fig 17 of TM 9-1010-233-23&P). TACOM will provide a repair kit that includes the screw.

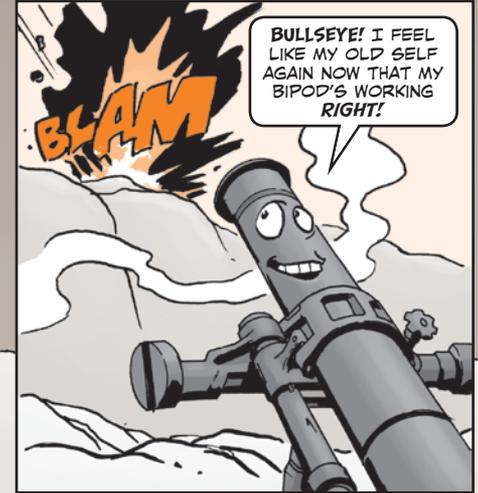
Slippage may be caused by stripped machine screw in block clamp



See TACOM maintenance action message 12-024 for more info:

<https://tulsa.tacom.army.mil/SAFETY/message.cfm?id=MA12-024.html>

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MANNEQUIN TARGET ALERT!

BUT...BUT... I ONLY ORDERED ONE MANNEQUIN!

MAYBE SO, BUT IT SAYS RIGHT HERE THAT YOU'RE GETTING 35 OF 'EM!

IN HERE, BOYS!



A big change has happened with the mannequin target, NSN 6920-01-164-9625, armorers. Previously that NSN brought one—just one—target. But now that NSN brings 35 targets at a cost of about \$450. The unit of issue has changed from EA to BX (35).

So unless you want to end up with enough targets for a lifetime and a hefty bill, remember this change in quantity when you put in your next target order.

If you've already made the mistake of ordering way more mannequins that you need, you can get the extras shipped back. Contact Cathy Boultinghouse at DSN 786-1363, (586) 282-1363, or email:

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